



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Matthew C. Lewellen, of Kirksville, Missouri, was a member of the United States Army Special Forces (Green Beret), assigned to the 5th Special Forces Group, Fort Campbell, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, on November 4, 2016, Sergeant First Class Lewellen, age 27, died of injuries sustained while serving his country in support of Operation Inherent Resolve, in Jafr, Jordan; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant First Class Lewellen's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal (2 awards), National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon (2 awards), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge (Basic), Special Forces Tab, Combat and Special Skill Badge Basic Marksmanship Qualification Badge (Bar, Weapon: Rifle, (Inscription: Rifle), Expert), and the Overseas Service Bar (2 awards).


NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS MATTHEW C. LEWELLEN

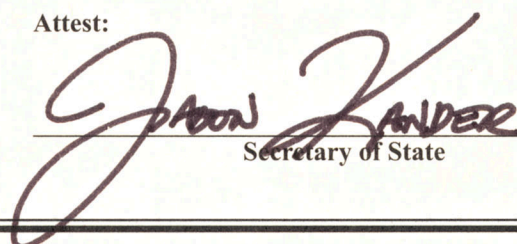
and for his bravery and service to the United States of America, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings statewide from sunrise to sunset on November 19, 2016, and shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in Adair County, from November 20 – 25, 2016, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 15th day of November, 2016.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Jason Kander
Secretary of State